

SAF/LLZ (Legislative Research Team)

SCHROCK, Edward L. (Republican)  
Representative, 2nd District, Virginia  
Elected 2000 to 107th Congress  
Reelected to succeeding Congress



### BACKGROUND

Born: Middletown, Ohio - 6 April 1941

Home: Virginia Beach, Virginia

Marital status: Married (July) - 1 child

Religion: Baptist

Education: Alderson-Broaddus College, B.A., 1964; American Univ, M.A., 1975

Military: US Navy, 1964-88 (retired as Captain)

Profession: Career military officer; stockbroker

Political: VA Senate, 1996-2000. Defeated Jody Wagner (D) with 52% of the vote to succeed retiring Rep Owen Pickett (D). Reelected in 2002 with 84% of the vote.

Rep Schrock is a conservative who wants to reverse the downward trend in military spending. Concerned about low morale, increasingly high rotation of overseas assignments, and recruitment and retention difficulties. Observes that pilots are leaving the services for better paying jobs in the private sector. Supports increasing the Navy's shipbuilding budget. Advocates bringing the F/A-18E/F to NAS Oceana. Concerned about substandard military housing and the fact that some military personnel are forced to turn to food stamps. Supports development of a national missile defense. Would deploy the military less in the future. Believes Congress must review overseas deployments. Favors increased funding for information and technology weapons. Wants to use the savings from acquisition reform to increase funding for readiness. Opposes abortion. Supports the impact aid program. A cancer-survivor, he is sensitive to the need for a strong healthcare system. Supports lower federal tax rate and a balanced budget. Demands accountability in public education and wants more federal funds returned to local classrooms. Served as president of the 28-member House GOP freshman class elected in November 2000.

In the 107<sup>th</sup> Congress, sought to include \$30M in NASA's budget for military aircraft noise reduction research, a sensitive issue to constituents surrounding NAS Oceana. Sponsored an amdt to the FY03 DoD auth providing for pilot projects for military unaccompanied housing. Said military personnel were "grossly underpaid" for their services. In July 2001 was sharply critical of Sec/Def Rumsfeld's suggestion that some military operations in the Norfolk area would probably be eliminated in the next round of base closures. Co-founded the Navy-Marine Corps Caucus in January 2002.

In the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress, as a result of redistricting, took over responsibility for most of Langley AFB.

Additional: Norfolk Naval Base, NAS Oceana, Little Creek Amphibious Base and Newport News Shipbuilding, VA's largest employer, are in his district.

AF Bases: Langley AFB

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